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A variety of pulse shapes has been obtained (in this simulator and in other simulators used for setback only) with peak accelerations of 300 to 100,000 g (acceleration of gravity) at impact speeds up to 1500 ft/s (460 m/s) and energies up to 55,000 ft-lb (7600 m-kg). The present tests attained maximum setbacks of 5000 g with a pulse duration of 1.5 ms. A steady-state drag commenced within 4 ms of the completion of setback, and aerodynamic drag up to 30 g was simulated for periods up to 20 ms. Good agreement between test and predicted data was found for both setback and drag. Independent of setback, the simulation of aerodynamic drag can readily be extended to larger drags, longer time periods, or specific drag-time profiles. Data are presented on simulator tests of an Army fuze mechanism which requires both setback and drag to arm.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In the simulation of the sequential setback and aerodynamic drag, the projectile (called a bird), having equipment on board to be test evaluated, emerges from a launcher (typically a gas gun) and impacts an aluminum honeycomb or wood mitigator located between the bird and a momentum exchange mass (MEM). The equipment in the bird is mounted so that the impact simulates the setback pulse (acceleration-time trajectory) that occurs in the weapon launcher. The drag signature is simulated thereafter. Test data of the bird displacement as a function of time are obtained by a streak photograph, from which the setback and drag are determined by double differentiation. The conservation equations of mass, momentum, and energy are solved exactly to obtain the forces acting on and the motions of the bird, mitigator, and MEM as functions of time.

The setback comprises essentially three parts: rise, steady, and fall. The rise and steady parts occur during the crushing of the mitigator, and their characteristic features are determined primarily by the bird mass and by the shape, dynamic crush strength, and mass density of the mitigator. The fall is controlled primarily by the elasticity of the components at maximum mitigator crush; this may include the elasticity intentionally introduced into the system, by incorporating springs into the MEM. By this means, parabolic, trapezoidal, and other pulse shapes have been obtained.

The drag simulation is obtained as follows: The bird emerges from the gas gun, and impact occurs within an open-ended catch tube of (The bird and MEM are circular circular cross section (fig. 1, 2). cylinders.) The bird forms a close fit with the inner wall of the catch tube. However, the diameter of the MEM is selected to obtain a desired air leakage into the cavity formed by the bird, tube, and MEM. (The mitigator diameter is small enough not to obstruct air flow between the bird and the MEM.) The setback pulse is designed so that the bird velocity at the completion of setback is approximately zero, and the bird momentum is transferred to the MEM. The MEM motion increases the length of the cavity, causing the cavity pressure to drop, and gives rise to a pressure differential across the bird. The bird acceleration, or drag simulation, is therefore determined primarily by the relative motion between the bird and the MEM, the cavity volume, the air leakage into the cavity, and the bird mass. The MEM mass is much larger than the bird mass so that little change in the MEM speed occurs during drag simulation. Fressure buildup in the cavity during a setback is minimized by the longitudinal slotted opening to the atmosphere in the catch tube that extends from the point where the bird enters the tube to a position near where the bird impacts the mitigator. The drag profile is not significantly changed by moderate variations of the initial cavity volume and pressure.



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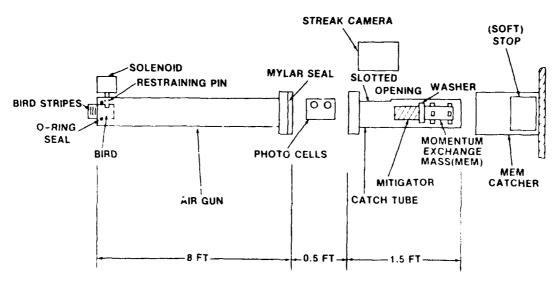


Figure 2. Setback drag simulator (schematic).

# 2. SIMULATOR DESIGN

In the present tests,\* a Harry Diamond Laboratories (HDI) gas gun 2.5 in. (6.4 cm) in diameter and 8 ft (2.4 m) long was used in combination with a catch tube 2.5 in. (6.4 cm) in diameter and 1.5 ft (0.46 m) long to provide the sequential simulation of the setback and drag environments (fig. 1, 2). The gas gun is sealed at one end by the bird and by a 0.002-in (0.005-cm) Mylar diaphragm at the other end. A

<sup>\*</sup>The concept of the simulator and much of its design are the work of Herbert Curchack. Arthur Ball and Robert Kayser built the device. Robert Kayser, Forrest Nelson, and Don Mary operated the simulator and obtained test data. Herbert Curchack and Don Mary reduced the streak photograph data. Kathy Mott prepared this typescript.

vacuum of about 1 Torr (100 Pa) is drawn in the space between the seals; and, upon release of a restraining pin, the bird is driven the length of the gun and into the catch tube by atmospheric air. In each of 30 tests, the 0.53-kg bird emerged from the gun at a speed of 155  $\pm$  5 ft/s  $(47.3 \pm 2 \text{ m/s})$  (table I).

TABLE 1. TEST VALUES USED IN SIMULATION OF DRAG AND SETBACK

Shot	Bird mass Ml (kg)	MEM mass M2 (kg)	Washer diam Ø (in.)	Cavity leakage area A7 (in. <sup>2</sup> )	Initial projectile ("bird") velocity UO (ft/s)	Bird velocity Ul (ft/s)	MEM velocity U2 (ft/s)	Mitigator
99	0.53	2,19	2.483	0.117	156	-0.6	37.9	Wood
100	0.53	2,19	2.483	0.117	160	-1.3	38.8	Wood
101	0.53	2.19	2.451	0.241	155	0.6	36.7	Wood
102	0.53	2.19	2.451	0.241	(b)	0.6 0.8°	36.7°	Wood
104	0.53	2.19	2.451	0.241	(b)	0.8 <sup>C</sup>	36.7°	Wood
105	0.53	2.19	2,451	0.241	150	1.5	35.6	Wood
107	0.53	2.19	2.401	0.432	157	3.0	37.3	Wood
168	0.53	2.19	2.401	0.432	156	3.7	36.9	Wood
109	0.53	2.19	2.350	0.622	156	3.5	36.9	Wood
110	0.53	2.19	2.350	0.622	157	3.6	37.1	Wood
111	0.53	2.15	2.0	1.443	153	3.8	36.8	Wood
112	0.53	2.15	2.0	1.443	153	3.2	36.9	Wood
113	0.53	5.06	2.483	0.117	155	-3.6	16.6	Aluminum
114	0.53	5.06	2,483	0.117	154	-3.0	16.4	Aluminum
116	0.53	5.06	2.401	0.432	155	3.8	15.8	Aluminum
117	0.53	5.06	2.401	0.432	(2)	4.2	15.8°	Aluminum
118	0.53	5.06	2.401	0.432	156	3.6	15.8	Aluminum
119	0.53	5.06	2.451	0.241	155	1.1	16.0	Aluminum
120	0.53	5.06	2.451	0.241	155	1.1	16.0	Aluminum
121	0.53	2.15	2.00	1.443	155	4.7	37.1	Wood
122	0.53	2.15	2.00	1.443	157	4.1	37.7	Wood
123	0.53	2.19	2.350	0.622	155	3.3	36.7	Wood
124	0.53	2.19	2.350	0.622	155	3.2	36.7	Wood
125	0.53	2.19	2.401	0.432	157	3.3	37.2	Wood
126	0.53	2.19	2.401	0.432	157	3.2	37.2	Wood

a Includes washer weight = 40 grams. buo data taken.

To avoid any effects on drag by the air flow following the bird down the gas qun, the first contact of the bird with the mitigator occurs when the bird is completely inside the catch tube. (The gas gun and catch tube are separated by a distance of 6 in. (15 cm).) The bird setback is caused by the crushing of the mitigator, which is located just aft of the slotted opening and which is in physical contact with Both the mitigator and the MEM are at rest prior to impact. the MEM. For a nonelastic MEM (consisting only of a mass without springs), the ratio of MEM to mitigator masses is about 100, and the ratio of MEM to bird masses is about 10 for aluminum honeycomb and about 5 for wood mitigators.

CAssumed value, in the absence of complete data.

The aims of the present tests were to evaluate the simulator and to simulate the setback and drag environments experienced by an arming mechanism being developed for use in Army ordnance projectiles. To this end, the bird was made of Bakelite, with a diameter of 2.483 in. (6.307 cm) at the impact section and length of 6 in. (15 cm) (fig. 3). As shown, the bird diameter aft of the impact section was reduced by 0.06 in. (0.15 cm) so that a stripe pattern attached to the bird did not make physical contact with the wall of the gas gun or catch tube. (A streak photograph of the stripes gives displacement—time data from which the bird setback and drag are obtained by double differentiation.) The interior of the bird accommodated two arming mechanisms (fig. 3).

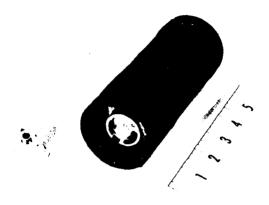


Figure 3. Projectile ("bird") and safety and arming device.

The aluminum honeycomb mitigators had a static crush strength of 2000 psi (14 MPa); each was a cube with a 1.5-in. (3.8 cm) edge. A light plastic foam strip was taped around each aluminum mitigator to center the mitigator with the axis of the catch tube (fig. 4). The wood mitigators (four marine-grade, 3/4-in. (1.9-cm) fir plywood sections held together with masking tape) fitted snugly into the tube and were 2.9 in. (7.4 cm) long with an equilateral triangular cross section having an area of 2.0 in.  $^2$  (13 cm $^2$ ) (fig. 4).

Figure 4 shows the mitigators before (top) and after (bottom) impact. To attain approximately zero bird speed following a setback, the required weights of the MEM's were 2.19 kg for the wood mitigator and 5.06 kg for the aluminum honeycomb mitigator. (The MEM weights are different because the elasticity of the two mitigators is different.) The MEM's consisted of brass bars 2 in. (5 cm) in diameter with four legs at each end (fig. 5). On placing the MEM in the catch tube, the center line of each MEM was coincident with the axis of the tube.

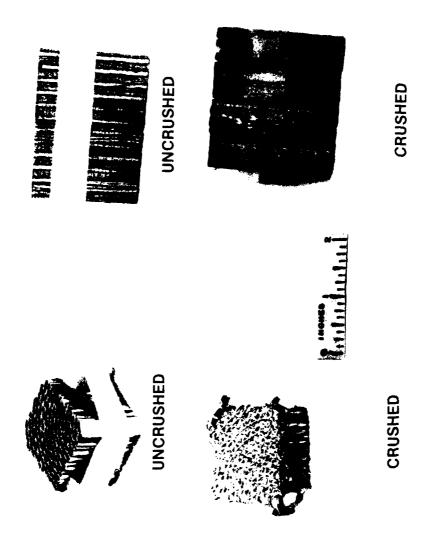


Figure 4. Aluminum honeycomb and wood mitigators.

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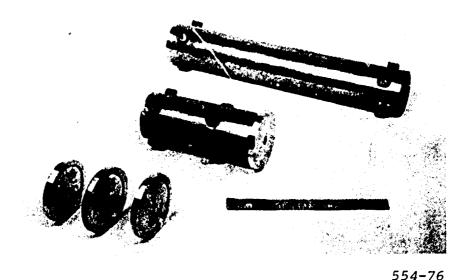


Figure 5. Momentum exchange masses and washers.

The bird and MEM's were tested for fixed initial relative motion between the bird and the MEM following setback and for insignificant variations of cavity pressure and volume (with respect to their effect on drag). In these tests, the drag was determined by controlling the air leakage in the cavity. To control it, an aluminum washer of desired diameter was screwed to the impact end of the MEM (fig. 5). Each washer weighed about 40 grams, and the mitigator was placed in physical contact with the washer. Air leakage was determined by the size (diameter) of the washer (taking into account the small leakage past the bird into the cavity).

## 3. COMPUTER PROGRAMS

Computer code 1 (app A) is presented for the computation of the setback acceleration (code SETBACK for the aluminum mitigator only). The code is an adaptation of computer code VARYP case A, of Pollin. Computer code 2 (app A) is presented for the computation of the acceleration caused by aerodynamic drag (code DRAG) for both aluminum and wood mitigators. Code SETBACK is based on the conservation equations for continuity, momentum, and energy. No computer code is available for wood mitigators; here, setback designs were based on unpublished HDL experimental data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Irvin Pollin, Impact Pulse Shaping, Harry Diamond Laboratories TR-1710 (June 1975).

The termination of the mitigator crush occurs when Ul = U2 at the time denoted by T = TC. The elasticity in the mitigator produces an additional setback for a time interval at T > TC. Empirical data indicate that a linear spring constant formulation yields the proper additional setback acceleration and the time at which the setback terminates. The spring constants for the aluminum and wood are based on equal displacements at each end of the mitigator of Cl = C2 = 0.01 in. (0.03 cm) for aluminum and Cl = C2 = 0.06 in. (0.15 cm) for wood at the time T = TC and for the load acting on the mitigator at that time. To facilitate the reduction of streak photograph data, the tests were designed so that the bird velocity Ul  $\approx$  0 at the termination of the setback. For this condition, the above spring constants were used in code SETBACK to determine the appropriate MEM mass for both the aluminum and the wood mitigators.

Maximum setback loading is at least 100 times larger than that for aerodynamic drag, and the setback pulse fall occurs in less than 400 us (fig. 6, 7). Thus, the setback and drag parts of the pulse are clearly distinguishable. The termination of the setback marks the commencement of the drag. However, because of the reduction of the cavity volume, the cavity pressure rises to about 20 psi (0.14 MPa) during the setback (sect. 4). Hence, in the computations, the commencement of drag is assumed to occur at the time during the pulse fall where the streak photograph data yield Al = -22 g (acceleration of gravity); this is the bird acceleration caused by a cavity pressure of 20 psi (0.14 MPa) in the absence of a setback. The streak photograph data give the value of Ul at the commencement of the drag, and momentum conservation yields the corresponding value for the MEM velocity, U2. The measured length of the crushed mitigator is used to denote the distance separating the bird and the MEM at the commencement of drag, from which distance the corresponding volume of air in the cavity is determined.

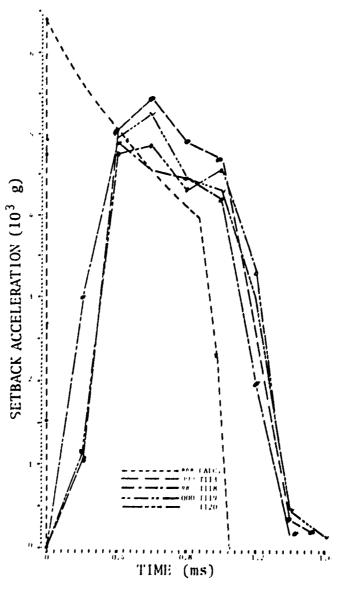


Figure 6. Calculated and experimental setback data for aluminum honeycomb mitigators (shots 113 and 118 to 120).

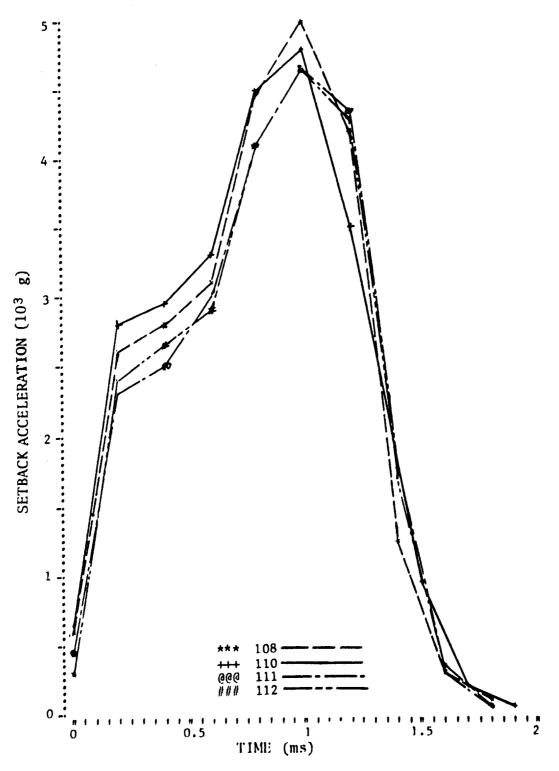


Figure 7. Experimental setback data for wood mitigators (shots 108 and 110 to 112).

## 3.1 Setback for Aluminum Mitigators

The impact of the bird with the mitigator (which is attached to and at rest with the MEM inside the catch tube--fig. 2) initiates crushing of the mitigator at its interface with the bird. The crush front, which is the boundary separating the crushed and uncrushed mitigator masses, proceeds toward the MEM during crushing.

The mitigator dynamic crush force is given by Pollin as

$$F = 1.05AFO[1 + 0.5(U1 - U2)/U0]$$
,

where FO is the mitigator static crush pressure, U1 and U2 are instantaneous bird and MEM velocities, and UO is the impact bird velocity.

The hydrodynamic crush force arising from acceleration of mitigator mass at the crush front is given by

$$R = M4(U1 - U2)$$
,

where the time rate of mitigator crush (M4) is given by

$$M4 = \rho AS(U1 - U2) ,$$

arrho is the density of the uncrushed mitigator, A is the instantaneous crush area as measured at the bird interface, and S is the ratio of the crush front travel to the depth of the bird penetration.

The force (F + R) is transmitted to the mass (Ml + M4), where Ml is the mass of the bird and M4 is the crushed mitigator mass. Hence, the setback acceleration experienced by the bird is

$$A1 = -(F + R)/(M1 + M4) .$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Irvin Pollin, Impact Pulse Shaping, Harry Diamond Laboratories TR-1710 (June 1975).

The dynamic crush force F is transmitted to the mass (M2 + M5), where M2 is the mass of the MEM and M5 is the uncrushed mitigator mass. Hence, the MEM acceleration is

$$A2 = F/(M2 + M5)$$
 (2)

The honeycomb spring constants, Z1 (at the bird interface) = Z2 (at the MEM interface), are determined at the time T = TC (time duration of the mitigator crush). They are determined by two parameters: (1) the mitigator displacements Cl = C2 = 0.01 in. (0.03 cm), where Cl and C2 are the mitigator elongations at the bird and MEM interfaces, and (2) the force 1.05AFO acting on both M1 and M2.

No elasticity is assumed for T < TC, and the setback ends when the forces acting on M1, M2, and M3 are simultaneously zero. Accordingly, for T > TC to the time at which A1 = A2 = A3 = 0 (where A3 is the mitigator acceleration), the bird and MEM accelerations were computed from the equations

$$A1 = -Z1 \cdot X1/M1 , \qquad (3)$$

$$A2 = Z2 \cdot X2/M2 \qquad (4)$$

where X1 is the instantaneous honeycomb elongation at the bird interface and X2 is that at the MEM interface.

Computed values for the bird and the MEM velocities and displacements were obtained by single and double integrations of the equations for Al and A2.

# 3.2 Drag

The drag force is determined entirely by the cavity and the ambient atmospheric pressures acting on the bird face. For the reasons discussed in section 4, it is sufficient to assume that the initial volume for the air in the cavity was 4.92 in. 3 (80.6 cm³) and the initial cavity air pressure was 20 psi (0.14 MPa) for all test conditions. Table I shows the initial bird and MEM speeds for each test. The cavity pressure changes as a result of the air leakage into or out of the cavity and as a result of the change of the cavity volume arising from the relative motion between the bird and the MEM. Incompressible air flow is assumed at a temperature of 530°R, and the leakage velocity U7 is computed from the equation

$$U7 = C(2|PO - P^{T}/D7)^{\frac{1}{2}}, (5)$$

where the friction coefficient C=0.5 for incompressible air flow with friction and C=1.0 for Bernoulli (frictionless) incompressible air flow, PO is the ambient atmospheric pressure,  $\Gamma$  is the total air pressure in the cavity, and D7 is the air density. The actual air leakage can be expected to have a value of C in the range  $0.5 \le C \le 1$ . The mass rate of flow into or out of the cavity is given by

$$R7 = D7 \cdot U7 \cdot A7$$
.

The cavity pressure is the sum of the partial pressures of the initial air in the cavity and the air leakage. Code DRAG computes the above quantities at small time intervals during the aerodynamic drag phase.

### 4. THEORETICAL AND EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

Table I summarizes the tests that were run for the setback and the drag for the two types of mitigators and for the washer diameters of 2.483, 2.451, 2.401, and 2.350 in. (6.307, 6.226, 6.099, and 5.969 cm). Tests were run also without any washers, so that the obstructed area was that of the MEM cross section. The MEM has a diameter of 2.000 in. (5.080 cm), to which must be added the projected  $0.375 \text{ in.}^2 (2.42 \text{ cm}^2)$  of the four legs at each end of the MEM. The catch tube diameter measured 2.503 in. (6.358 cm) and the bird diameter measured 2.483 in. (6.307 cm), which resulted in a leakage area of 0.0783 in. $^2$  (0.505 cm $^2$ ). Area A7 is the sum of the leakage areas about the bird and washer/MEM into the cavity. The table also gives the streak photograph values for UO and Ul and the values for U2 computed from momentum conservation. Both Ul and U2 are for the time denoting the termination of setback.

# 4.1 Setback

The streak camera was run at a comparatively slow speed so that both the setback and the drag could be recorded on a single photograph. The photograph covered a period of 20 ms, of which only about 1.5 ms consisted of the setback. The setback displacement-time data were taken at 200-µs intervals. These time intervals are large compared with the setback pulse duration, so that the reduced data "smooths" the actual pulse shape. Notably, the rise and fall times are lengthened and the Al is decreased.

Figure 6 shows the reduced experimental setback data of four typical tests for Al with aluminum honeycomb mitigators. If one allows for an uncertainty (shift of the time axis) of 50  $\mu s$  in determining the beginning of the test pulse, the differences between experimental data are generally within about 10 percent of the average value of the Al data for the given time. Figure 6 shows also the calculated values for Al based on the work of Pollin. The calculated and experimental data can be brought into good agreement, recalling that the experimental displacement data are read at 200- $\mu s$  intervals.

Figure 7 shows typical experimental setback pulses with wood mitigators. The wood and aluminum mitigators yielded approximately equal peak accelerations, although the wood gave longer pulse duration. Having the same value for UO and approximately zero terminal velocity, the two sets of pulses have the same area under the curve since

$$UO = \int_{0}^{TS} Al \ dT ,$$

where T = TS is the time of the setback pulse. The pulse time is larger for the wood mitigator because its curve is less rectangular. The test-to-test repeatability of Al for the wood mitigators is about the same as that noted above for the aluminum.

A reliable measure of this test data precision (which differs from that for drag) is given by the fluctuation of the data during the free-flight bird travel over a distance of approximately 1.5 in. (3.8 cm) before the setback begins. Accordingly, the average random error in determining the setback velocity and acceleration were found to be 1 ft/s (0.3 m/s) and 200 g.

### 4.2 Drag

The bird velocity is generally less than 10 ft/s (3.0 m/s) during the entire drag phase. To determine the measurement precision, three streak photographs were obtained with the bird at rest. (That is, the bird was inserted into the slotted opening of the catch tube--which is in the camera field of view, and three streak photographs were taken with the bird at rest in the same way as for an actual test for the setback or the drag.) The test data precision is given by the fluctuation of the data for this condition. The average random error in determining velocity and acceleration during the drag phase was found to be 0.1 ft/s (0.03 m/s) and 1 g. A few measurements were found to be in error by 2 g, and one error amounted to 3 g. The timewise

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Irvin Pollin, Impact Pulse Shaping, Harry Diamond Laboratories TR-1710 (June 1975).

point-by-point fluctuation of the drag acceleration with the bird at rest is shown in figure 8. Although test data of bird displacement were taken at time intervals of 400  $\mu s$ , calculations for the acceleration were made at intervals of 800  $\mu s$ . The test data shown in figure 8 are separated at 400- $\mu s$  intervals. This difference results from the fact that two overlapping sets of data points at 800- $\mu s$  time intervals, separated by 400  $\mu s$ , were prepared from each photograph.

On the average, the wood and aluminum mitigators were each crushed 0.7 in. (2 cm). The variation of crush above or below 0.7 in.  $(2\ \text{cm})$  was within 5 percent. This is consistent with the previously noted <10-percent variation of the setback acceleration. The initial bird impact with the mitigator occurred 0.25 in. (0.64 cm) aft of the slotted opening of the catch tube. Starting from the bird position at the edge of the slotted opening, the volume of air in the cavity was 9.99 in. $^3$  (164 cm $^3$ ) for the wood mitigator and 5.44 in. $^3$  (89.1 cm $^3$ ) for the aluminum mitigator. At the termination of the setback, the air volumes were 6.40 in.<sup>3</sup> (105 cm<sup>3</sup>) for the wood mitigator 3.48 in. $^3$  (57.0 cm $^3$ ) for the aluminum mitigator. Thus, for both mitigators, the compression ratio was 1.56. Assuming isentropic or isothermal compression without leakage, the corresponding cavity air pressure was 27.4 or 22.9 psi (0.189 or 0.158 MPa). However, up to the termination of the setback, there was a time interval of about 1.5 ms for leakage to occur, and the corresponding amount of the reduction of the cavity pressure depended on A7. We can assume a cavity volume of  $4.92 \text{ in.}^3$ (80.6 cm<sup>3</sup>) so that, in the absence of the mitigator, the length of the cavity at the termination of the setback LO = 1 in. (2.5 cm). Table II(A) shows the drag induced Al(T) for incompressible frictionless flow with cavity pressures at the beginning of the drag of 20 and 30 psi (0.14 and 0.21 MPa) for A7 values of 0.117 and 1.068 in. $^2$  (0.755 and 6.890 cm $^2$ ). There is a small effect of cavity pressure on Al up to about 5 ms for A7 = 0.117 in.<sup>2</sup> (0.755 cm<sup>2</sup>) and negligible effect on Al beyond 1 ms for A7 =  $1.068 \text{ in.}^2 (6.890 \text{ cm}^2)$ . The net time effect is further reduced if we take into account the time required for the setback.

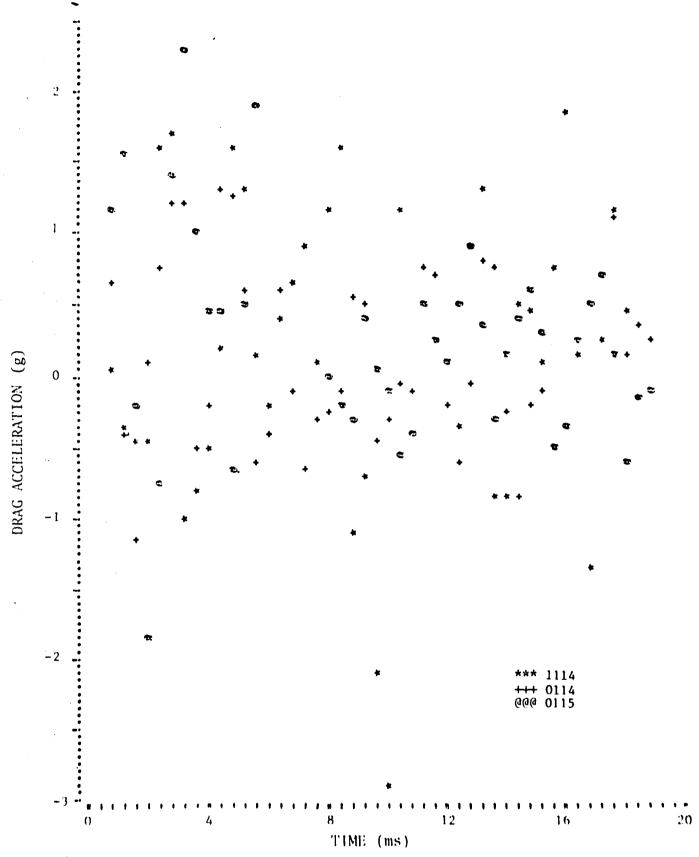


Figure 8. Precision of drag measurements.

TABLE II. EFFECTS OF INITIAL CAVITY PRESSURE AND VOLUME ON AERODYNAMIC DRAG

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٠,	11.48	2,4	.04	-2.71	3/.1	1.34	05 71	-1.0 3	500.0 002.0	15.0
4.	15.19	2.y 3.4	.12	-3.59 -4.11	31.0 30.4	2.23	23	-:;	112.5	17.6
۶. ٥.	10.79	4.6	.20	-4,44	30.1	2.0:	.77	: .5	741.7	10.2
1.	19.69	4.0	. 25	-4.05	30.0	3.11 3.55	:17		107.3	11.0
4.	20.27	5.2		-4.79	30.5	3.55	.17	2.1 3.3	//1.J //9.7	y.9 y.8
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3.	10.35	4.0	.12	-3.86	30.7	1.33	.75	1.0	013.4	13.4
4.	18.13	4.0	. 19	-4,33	30.0	1.11	.14	2.5 J.J	731.0 755.1	10.3
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ıń.	. 11	3.6	.42		16.9	4,43	.15	10.5		14.5

NOTE: (M1 = 0.53, M2 = 2.19, U1 = 3.4, and U2 = 36.9)

TABLE II. EFFECTS OF INITIAL CAVITY PRESSURE AND VOLUME ON AERODYNAMIC DRAG (Cont'd)

(B) Effects of Initial Cavity Volume										
L0=1	P=1_A7=1	C=2, 1.3	. 20 1	17,1						
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ó.	18.93	5.4	. 24	-4.47	30.4	2.45	14	3.0	745.4	12.2
ĩ.	19.55	6.0	.35	-4.02	36.3	3.08	.20	3.5	75 H . I	10.0
8.	19.94	6.7	.43	-4.71	36.1	3.52	.25	4.0	705.7	iö.n
9.	20.17	7.4	.52	-4.77	36.0	1.00	.30	4.4	117.7	V.9
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2.	16.08	3.0	.08	-3.80	30.9	. 49	.03	1.3	0/9.2	10.9
3.	18.90	4.4	.13	-4.47	36.7	1.33	.07	2.7	4d0.3 6/9.2 /42.5 7/0.7 7d4.4 7J0.7 7v3.0 7v2.5 /v0.1	17.2
4.	20.25	5.0	.19	-4.78	30.5	1.77	.12	3.0	7/0.7	1.0
5.	20.92	5.7	. 25	-4.94	30.4	2.20	.16	4.4	704.4	7.7
٠,	21.24	0.3	. 32	-5.02	36.2	2.64	.21	4.9	720.7	9.6
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NOTE: (M1 = 0.53, M2 = 2.19, U1 = 3.4, and U2 = 36.9)

The cavity volumes at the beginning of the drag for the wood and aluminum mitigators were 1.3 and 0.7 times larger than the volume  $4.92~\rm in.^3~(79.5~\rm cm^3)$ . If one assumes an initial cavity air pressure of 20 psi (0.14 MPa), table II(B) gives the drag induced Al(T) for incompressible frictionless flow with LO values of 1.3 in. (3.3 cm) and 0.7 in. (2 cm) (corresponding values of LO for the above volumes) and for A7 equal to 0.117 and 1.068 in.  $^2$  (0.755 and 6.890 cm $^2$ ). The effect of initial cavity volume on Al is approximately the same as that found above for initial cavity pressure.

In the following comparison between the predicted and experimental drag acceleration data (fig. 9 to 16), the initial cavity air pressure and volume were taken as 20 psi (0.14 MPa) and 4.92 in.<sup>3</sup>  $(79.5 \text{ cm}^3)$ . The calculated values (solid lines) are given for frictional and frictionless (C = 0.5 and C = 1.0) incompressible air flow into the cavity. In every figure, the calculated drag for the flow (denoted by \*) is larger than the comparable frictional frictionless flow (denoted by +), because friction slows the flow into In turn, this decrease reduces cavity pressure the cavity. thereby increases drag) because of the cavity volume increase arising from the motion of the MEM relative to the bird. Similarly, reduced A7 yields larger drag.

For all values of A7 and for both wood and aluminum mitigators at the termination of the setback (that is, when the force acting on the bird due to the mitigator was relaxed to zero), the cavity pressure exceeded that of the ambient atmosphere, and the aerodynamic drag force was in the same direction as that for a setback. However, the expansion of the cavity volume very quickly led to reduced cavity pressure, and the drag force changed direction. As shown in figures 9 to 16 and table II, the experimental data (individual shot numbers are denoted by the prescript letter T) and the calculated data (denoted by the prescript letter C) show that a state of steady drag occurred within about 4 ms. Drag accelerations up to 30 g were obtained. For equal values of A7, the wood mitigators yielded larger drags than that for aluminum because of the higher elasticity of wood mitigators and the resulting larger relative speeds between the MEM and the bird.

If one allows for the previously noted measurement precision, the experimental data are in good agreement with the predicted data for a frictional incompressible flow with values of C in the range of 0.5 < C < 1.0. For each mitigator, the experimental data indicate that the value of C is nearly 1 for the larger A7 and reduces with decreasing A7. This reduction would agree with the higher flow velocities through a smaller gap and thereby higher shear stresss associated with the smaller leakage rates.

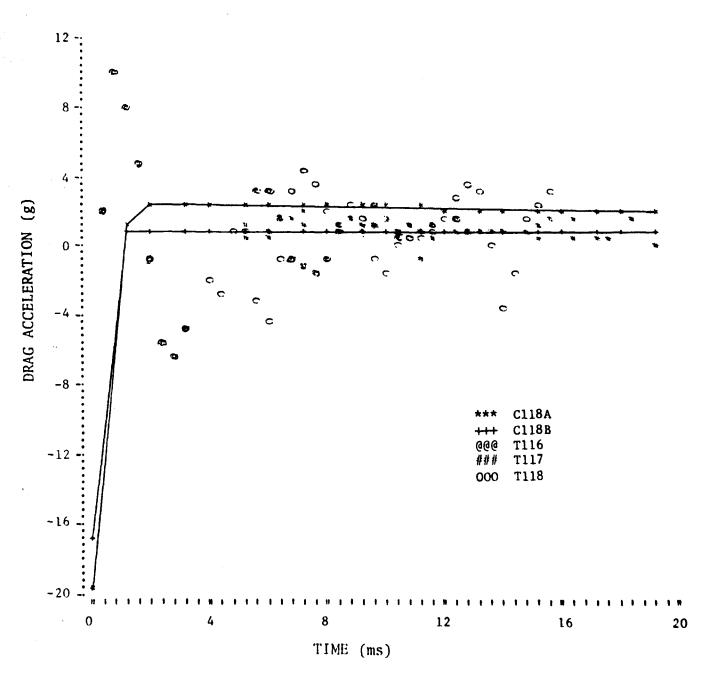


Figure 9. Calculated and experimental drag data for aluminum honeycomb mitigator (A7 =  $0.432 \text{ in.}^2$ ; shots 116 to 118).

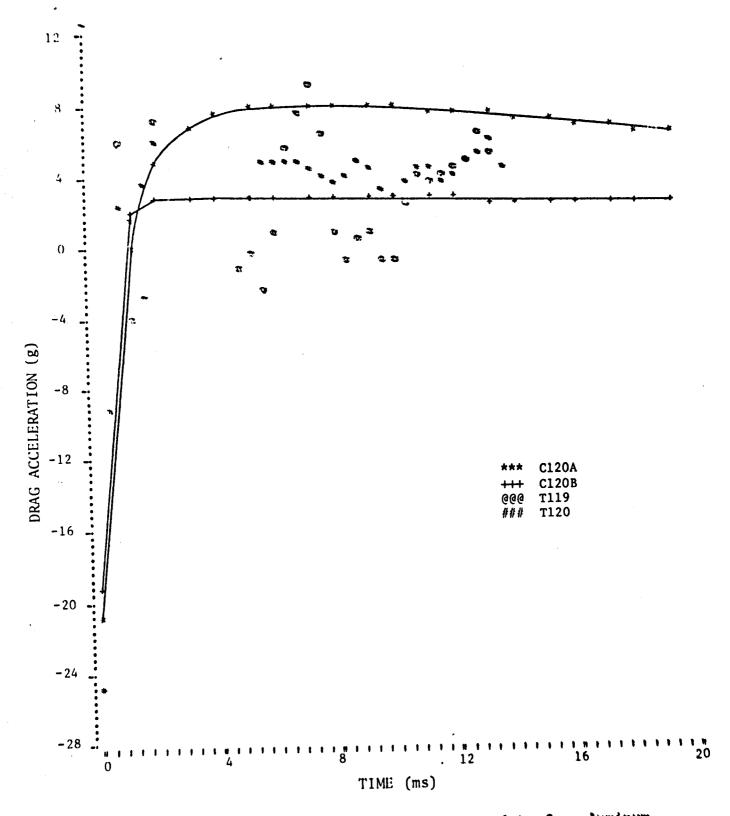
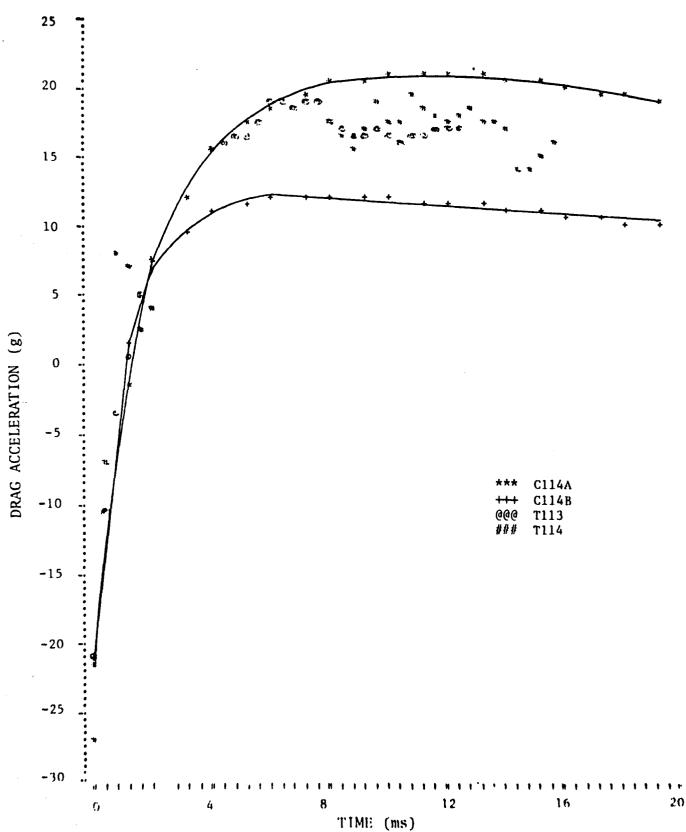


Figure 10. Calculated and experimental drag data for aluminum honeycomb mitigator (A7 = 0.241 in.<sup>2</sup>; shots 119 and 120).



TIME (ms)

Figure 11. Calculated and experimental drag data for aluminum honeycomb mitigator (A7 = 0.117 in. 2; shots 113 and 114).

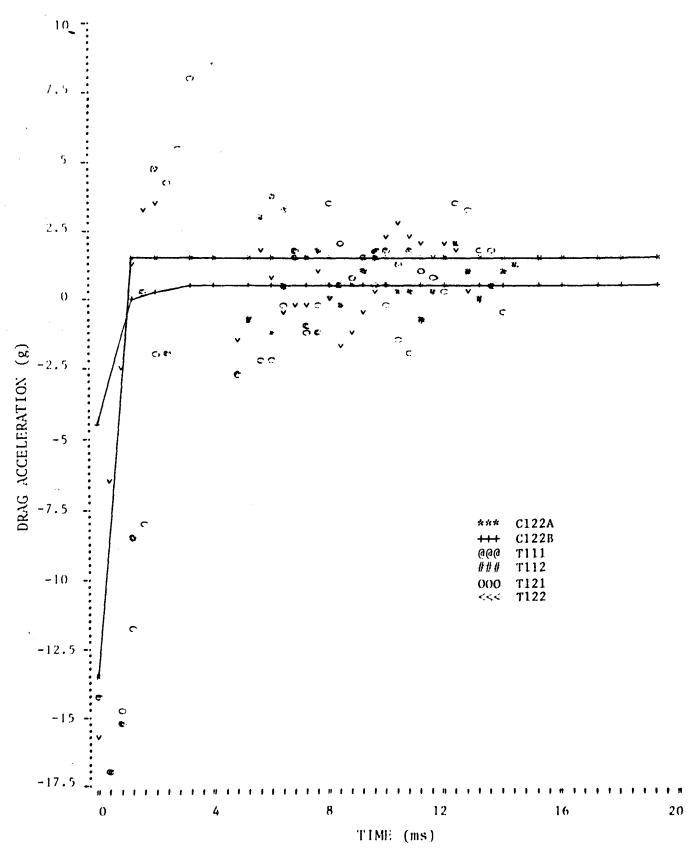


Figure 12. Calculated and experimental drag data for wood mitigator (A7 = 1.443 in.  $^2$ ; shots 111, 112, 121, and 122).

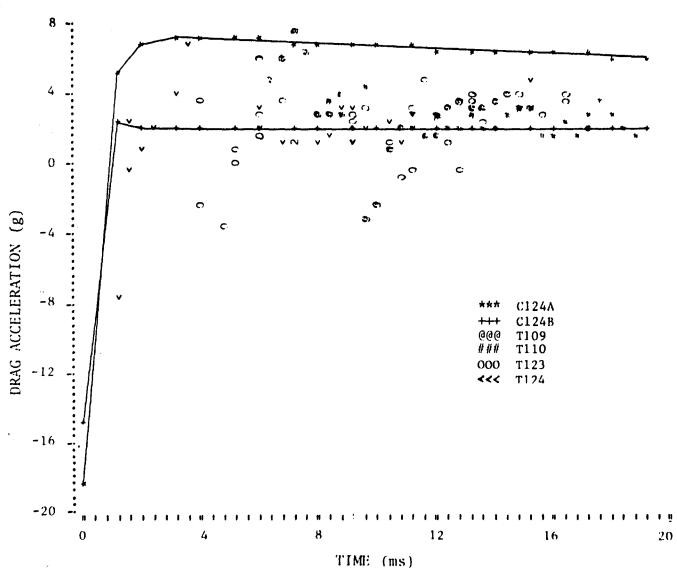


Figure 13. Calculated and experimental drag data for wood mitigator (A7 = 0.622 in.<sup>2</sup>; shots 109, 110, 123, and 124).

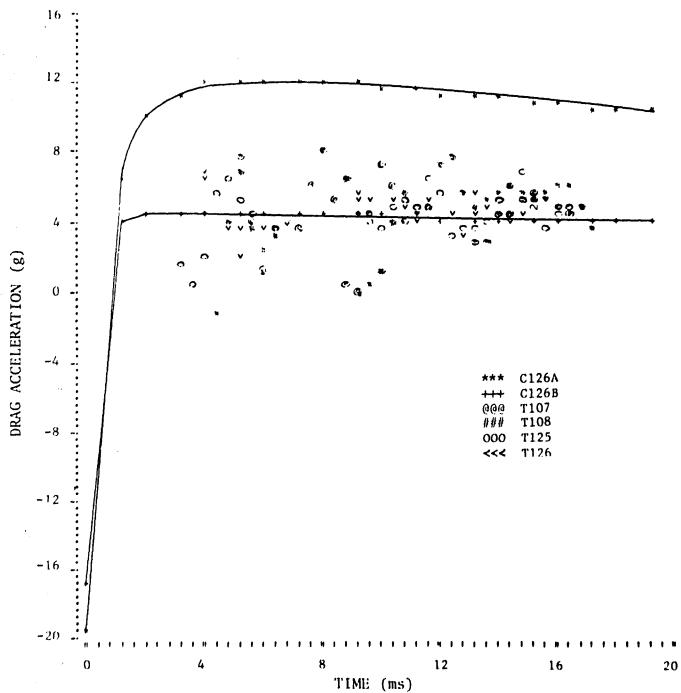


Figure 14. Calculated and experimental drag data for wood mitigator (A7 = 0.432 in.<sup>2</sup>; shots 107, 108, 125, and 126).

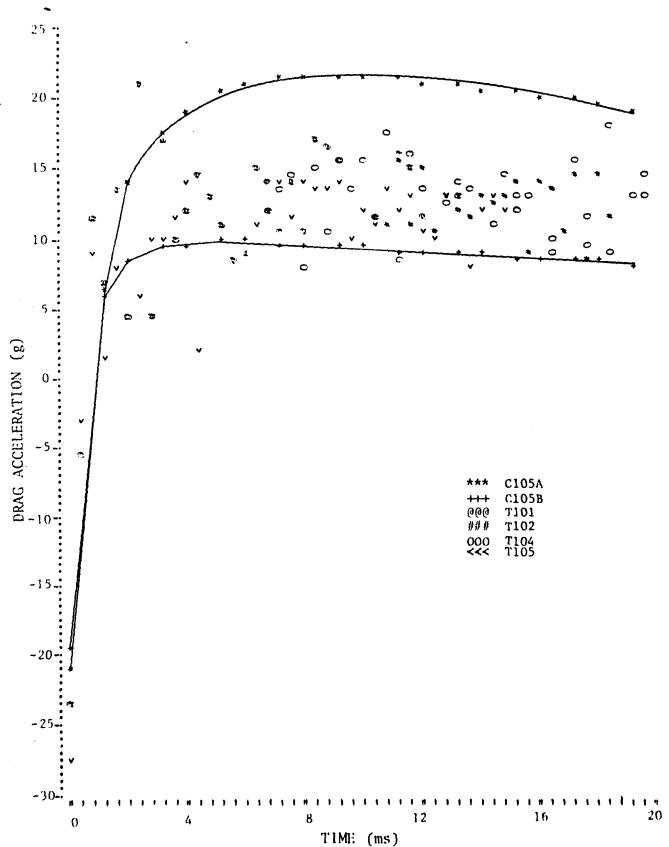


Figure 15. Calculated and experimental drag data for wood mitigator (A7 = 0.241 in. $^2$ ; shots 101, 102, 104, and 105).

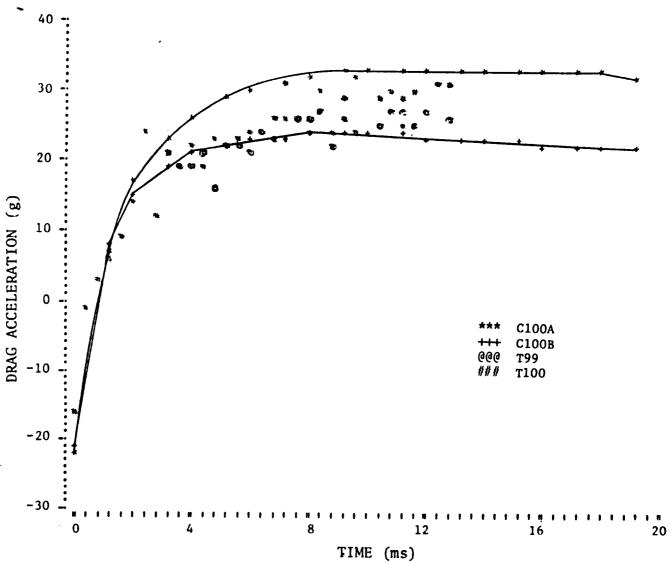


Figure 16. Calculated and experimental drag data for wood mitigator (A7 = 0.117 in.<sup>2</sup>; shots 99 and 100).

# 4.3 Safety and Arming Device Tests

A current Army requirement is that a fuze shall not become functional (arm) until subjected to two distinct, unique environmental forces peculiar in the use of the fuze. One such double signature is provided by a safety and arming mechanism (S&A) that requires a successive setback and drag, in that order, during which time the S&A goes through three states: safe, to fail-safe, to fully armed. The setback S&A is required to be insensitive to a setback of 2500 g. An excessive setback of about 40,000 g can result in structural damage and malfunction. The fail-safe condition results when the S&A has experienced an adequate setback signature and the drag signature is inadequate or does not occur in the proper time sequence with respect to

the setback signature. For arming to occur, the simulation of aerodynamic drag (minimum amplitude of 3 g) must be initiated within about 5 ms following the termination of the setback, and the drag pulse must endure for a minimum time. The minimum pulse time decreases with increasing drag and amounts to 20 ms for a 3-g drag pulse. Moreover, the fuze must not arm at accelerations below 1 g regardless of pulse duration. Either an arm or a fail-safe condition results for drags between these limits.

As a demonstration of the feasibility of the simulator as a tester, a hollow bird was prepared to accommodate two S&A's (fig. 3). The total weight of the bird including two of the devices was brought up to the 0.53-kg weight of the bird in the tests previously described. The MEM's, washers, and mitigators were used so that the setbacks attained are assumed to be the same as those shown in figures 6 and 7.\* However, the diameter of the new bird was slightly smaller, so that the A7 value associated with each washer was slightly larger. Drags up to 9 g were obtained. The shapes of the drag pulses are shown in figures 9 to 16. Streak photograph data were available for a total time of 20 ms for each test, including setback. The calculated drag pulse duration (corresponding to the MEM speed and the time required for the washer to exit from the catch tube) was 21 ms for the wood mitigator and 91 ms for the aluminum mitigator.

Table III summarizes the test results on the S&A. In all tests, the setbacks shown in figures 6 and 7 caused the device to proceed from a safe to a fail-safe position. Tests (not presented here) showed that the device would remain in the safe position when the bird impact speed was reduced to 95 ft/s (29 m/s) and the mitigator was aluminum. For this speed, the pulse duration or magnitude of the setback or both were insufficient to cause the S&A to proceed to the fail-safe position, which condition agrees with the above-noted design requirement for the S&A. Except in 1 out of 52 tests (wood mitigator with A7 = 0.48 in.  $^2$  [3.1 cm $^2$ ]), the test data of table III indicate that the S&A performed as expected. Otherwise, with proper setback, the S&A armed as required when the drag was larger than 3 g and remained in the fail-safe position for a drag not exceeding 1 g.

<sup>\*</sup>In the chronological order of this work, the simulator tests on the S&A were performed prior to the previously described measurements, and streak photograph data were not obtained. However, on the basis of the precision and repeatability of the data shown in figures 6 to 16, the setback data can be assumed to be the same as those shown in figures 6 and 7, and the predicted frictionless drag data (C = 1) should adequately represent test data.

TABLE III. TEST RECORD OF PERFORMANCE OF FUZE SAFETY AND ARMING DEVICE

Mitigator	Tests (No.)	Cavity leakage area A7 (in. <sup>2</sup> )	Fail-safe	Armed	Drag rang (g)
Aluminum	16	0.15	0	16	9 to 3
	2	0.20	0	2	4 to 2
	6	0.30	. 5	1	2
	1	0.39	: 1	i 0	1
	2	0.48	2	0	0.9
	6	0.67	6	0	0.4
Wood	4	0.30	0 1a	4	7 to 5
	1 8	0.48	l la	7	4 to 3
	3	0.67	1	2	2
	4	1.49	4	, 0	0.3

a Indicates multimotion of fuse device.

#### 5. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The setback and the drag were combined into a single laboratory tester to simulate, in the proper time frame, the sequential setback and the aerodynamic drag experienced by Army ordnance projectiles. In the present tests, the maximum setback was about 5000 g, and a steady-state drag commenced within 4 ms of the completion of the setback. An aerodynamic drag up to 30 g was simulated for 20 ms and up to 17 g for 90 ms.

Differences among test-to-test setback acceleration data for both wood and aluminum mitigators are generally within about 10 percent of the instantaneous average value.

Finally, tests were performed on several units of an S&A to demonstrate the feasibility of the simulator as a tester. The results of the simulator tests were found to be in good agreement with known design characteristics.

### SYMBOLS

- A Instantaneous mitigator crush area (as measured at projectile ["bird"] interface) (in.<sup>2</sup>)
- An Acceleration (ft/s2)
- A7 Cavity leakage area, comprising sum of leakages between catch tube and momentum exchange mass (MEM) and between catch tube and bird (in.<sup>2</sup>)
- C Friction coefficient: = 0.5 (frictional), = 1.0 (frictionless)
- C1 Mitigator elongation at bird interface, arising from relaxing force thereon at T = TC (in.)
- C2 Mitigator elongation at MEM interface, arising from relaxing force thereon at T = TC (in.)
- D7 Air density (= 0.0749 1bm/ft<sup>-1</sup>)
- F Mitigator dynamic crush force (1b)
- FO Mitigator static crush pressure (psi)
- LO Length of cavity at termination of setback (in.)
- Mn Mass (gram)
- M4 Crushed mitigator mass (1bm)
- M5 Uncrushed mitigator mass (1bm)
- M7 Mass of air passing into cavity (lbm)
- M4 Time rate of mitigator crush (lbm/s)
- n=1 Bird
- n=2 MEM
- n=3 Mitigator
- P Total air pressure in cavity (psi)
- PO Ambient atmospheric pressure (= 14.7 psi)

## SYMBOLE (Cont'd)

- P7 Partial pressure in cavity caused by air leakage into or out of cavity (psi)
- R Hydrodynamic crush force [= M4(Ul U2)] (1b)
- R7 Time rate of mass flow into or out of cavity (lbm/s)
- S Ratio of crush front travel to depth of bird penetration
- T Time (s)
- TC Time duration of mitigator crush (s)
- Un Velocity (ft/s)
- UO Initial bird velocity (ft/s)
- U7 Speed of air leakage passing into or out of cavity (referred to area A7) (ft/s)
- X1 Honeycomb elongation at bird interface (= C1 Y3 + Y1  $\geq$  0) (in.)
- X2 Honeycomb elongation at MEM interface (= C2 Y2 + Y3 ≥ 0) (in.)
- Yn Displacement (in.)
- Z1 Honeycomb spring constant at bird interface, where Al is acceleration at T = TC (= -AlM1/C1) (lb/in.)
- Z2 Honeycomb spring constant at MEM interface, where Al is acceleration at T = TC (= -AlM1/C2) (lb/in.)
- p Density of uncrushed mitigator  $(1bm/ft^3)$
- Ø Washer diameter (in.)

### APPENDIX A. -- CODES

Computer codes SETBACK and DRAG were used to compute the sequential setback and the aerodynamic drag described in the main body of the report.

### CODE 1. SETBACK

```
80 HeM J=
85 PHINT "SHOT NUMBER IS";J
90 HeM HIT AT MEM , J=0
95 REM HIT AT BIRD, J<>0
100 C1=4548 22.2
110 C=32000
330 M5_M3_MM
340 A=A0/L*(Y1_Y2)
350 IF A<A0 COTO 370
360 A=A0
370 F=1.05*F0*A/A0*(1*V1*V)
375 F=*A0
380 M4*D*A0***(U1_U2)/144
390 M4*M4*K4*T1
400 M3*M**(U1_U2)
410 A1=-(F*A)/(M1*M*)
415 IF J=0 CATO 570
416 A1=-F/(M1*M5)
570 A2=F/(M2*M5)
575 IF J=0 CATO 630
576 A2=(F*A)/(M2*M4)
630 IF T<M**1E-A CATO 670
640 PMINT USING COTO 670
640 PMINT USING COTO 700
660 M3*N**.5
670 T=T*T1
671 U1=U1*A1*T1
672 Y1=Y1*12*U1*T1
673 U2=U2U*A2*T1
674 Y2=Y2*12*U2*T1
678 U2=U2*D1 COTO 320
690 CATO 640
700 PMINT
705 M=T
710 PMINT "SPMING CONSTANTS C1,C2*";
   705 NeT
710 PHINT "SPHING CONSTANTS C1,C2+";
  710 PRINT C1,C2
740 U3+U1
750 Z1+-A19H7C1
760 Z2+21C1/C2
770 PRINT " TIPE -A1 U1 X1
                                                                                                               A2
                                                                                                                                 02 X2
    710 Atta0 COLO 850 810 X1=0
  510 X140
820 IF X14eC1 QOTO 850
830 U1aU3a(H19U1aH39U3)/(H1aH3)
840 X1aC1
850 X2eC2=Y2eY3
860 IF X2eC QUTO 880
870 X2eO
880 IF X2eC2 QUTO 970
890 J3aU2a(H39U3eH29U2)/(H3eH2)
900 X3eC2
    040 X2+C2
970 A1+-Z19x1/H1
980 A3+(Z19x1-Z29x2)/H3
1000 A2+Z29X2/H2
1140 IF ICN OUTU 1220
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# APPENDIX A

# CODE 1. SETBACK (Cont'd)

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1150 PRINT USING 280,T*1E-3,-A1/G,U1,X1,A2/G,U2,X2,A3/G,U3
1200 IF ##1 30TO 1260
1210 NaN-5E-5
1220 Tat-71
1221 U1=U1+A1*T1
1222 U2=U2-A2*T1
1223 U3=U3-A2*T1
1224 Y1=Y1-12*U1*T1
1225 Y2=Y2-12*U2*T1
1226 Y3=Y3-12*U3*T1
1230 IF X1+X2>O COTO 790
1240 ##1
1250 QUTO 1150
1260 END
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# CODE 2. DRAG

```
100 G=32.2
105 GD=1/G
110 G1=454/G
112 m1=54/G
113 m2=3800/G
114 O P1=POLPZ=11.7
150 TD=530
160 R=53.34
170 a6=3.14
190 PRINT "LDc, Pa; A7=; Ca";
200 IMPT LO, P, A7, C
210 P6-P
220 U1-1
230 U2-15
240 Y=A6=U0/1728
250 H6-P6=Y/N/TD=144
270 D7=PO/N/TD=144
300 Y=A6=U1/TZ6
310 V=V=1
330 H5-H1
300 V1=A6=U1/TZ6
310 V1=A6=U1/TZ6
310 V1=A6=U1/TZ6
310 V1=A6=U1/TZ6
310 V1=A6=U1/TZ6
310 V1=A6=U1/TZ6
311 OVT-SC(2=(P-P)=144=32.2/DT)^-5
310 U7-CC(2=(P-P)=144=32.2/DT)^-5
310 U7-CC(2=(P-P)
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